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In re Application of:)
John H. MacKay, et al.)
Serial No.: 09/418,237) Examiner: Sue A. Purvis)
Filed: October 14, 1999) Group Art Unit: 1734)

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Dear Sir:

SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 FOR RCE FILING

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 29, 2002, Applicants request
Examiner's consideration of the following submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in support of
their Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-referenced application.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application for patent as follows:

In the Claims

Please enter the amended claim 9 and new claims 16-33. Please cancel claim 13.
Claims 9-12 and 14-33 are pending.

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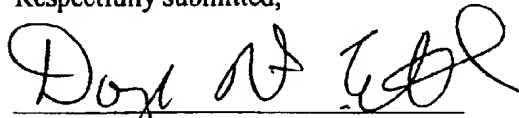
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resolution of which the Examiner feels will be advanced by a conference with the Applicants' attorney, the Examiner is invited to contact the attorney at the number noted below. Applicants respectfully request that Examiner grant Applicants' attorney an interview prior to the issuance of an office action.

Checks for the requisite fees for the RCE and the Petition for Extension of Time accompany this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 20-0782/EXXO/004/DHE.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Doug H. Elliott", is written over a horizontal line.

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